



MĀNOA NEIGHBORHOOD BOARD NO. 7

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DRAFT REGULAR MEETING MINUTES WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 3, 2016 NOELANI ELEMENTARY SCHOOL CAFETORIUM

CALL TO ORDER AND INTRODUCTIONS: Chair Pro Tem Dale Kobayashi called the Mānoa Neighborhood Board No. 7 meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. **A quorum was established with 10 members present.** Note – This 17-member Board requires nine (9) members to establish a quorum and to take official Board action. Chair Kobayashi introduced the members of the Board.

Board Members Present – Gary Andersen (departed at 9:15 p.m.), Harvey Arkin, Dylan Armstrong, Denise Bilodeau, Rodney Chun (departed at 9:16 p.m.), Martin Eby (appointed at this meeting), Wyatt Gordon (departed at 9:00 p.m.), Jim Hayes (arrived at 7:05 p.m.), Patti Hoe (arrived at 7:05 p.m.), Dale Kobayashi, Joan Koff (arrived at 7:08 p.m.), Teri Mitchell, Bronson Silva, and Ellen Watson (departed at 9:20 p.m.).

Board Members Absent – Eric Eads, Hunter Heavilin, and Nathaniel Kinney.

Vacancies – There was one (1) vacancy in Subdistrict 4 (Lower Manoa).

Guests – Denise Iseri-Matsubara (Governor David Ige's Representative, Governor's Office); Tom Heinrich (Senator Brian Taniguchi's Office), Deputy Director Barbara Yamashita (Mayor Kirk Caldwell's Representative, Department of Community Services); Councilmember Ann Kobayashi and Steve Uyeno (Councilmember Ann Kobayashi's Office), Captain Glenn Kuwamura (Honolulu Fire Department); Acting Lieutenant/Sergeant Allen Ishida (Honolulu Police Department, District 7); Dominic Dias (Board of Water Supply), Chris Dacus (Historic Parks and Projects), B.P. Kauna Kihikihi; Wes Oda (Blue Zone), Marlene K.S. Alvey, Raleigh Ferdun and Helen Nakano (Be Ready Mānoa), Erin Bishop (Oahu Invasive Species Committee), Peter Oleson, Bob Kern, Micki Stash, Kendys Min (Hawaiian Electric Company), Walter Matsuoka, Jo Gardiner (APCSS), Sharon Omizo, Asami Kobayashi, Darryl Wong (Paradise Park), Pat Ching, Muhammad Anwar Quadri, Dawn Kobayashi, Derwin Hayashi (Attorney for Paradise Park), David Amodo (Videographer), and K. Russell Ho (Neighborhood Commission Office).

APPROVAL OF THE JUNE 1, 2016 REGULAR MEETING MINUTES: Watson offered an amendment – On page 5, #8, Watson suggested to strike the word, "Valley," as there are two (2) different organizations. Andersen asked what the difference was. Watson explained that Save Mānoa is/was a non-profit 501 (c) (3) organization set up to propose to Daryl Wong to purchase the property for a land trust. Watson continued that she received no response, except for a complaint filed against her with the Neighborhood Commission (NC). Chair Pro Tem Kobayashi added that Save Mānoa Valley was formed to oppose commercial activities in a Conservation District. **As there were no objections, the Mānoa Neighborhood Board No. 7 APPROVED the June 1, 2016 regular meeting minutes, as amended, by UNANIMOUS CONSENT, 10-0-0 (AYE: Andersen, Arkin, Armstrong, Bilodeau, Chun, Gordon, Kobayashi, Mitchell, Silva, and Watson; NAY: None; ABSTAIN: None).** The amendment was as follows:

- Page 5, #8 Ellen Watson, it should read, "Watson asked if Save Mānoa, a non-profit, could buy the property, but she received no answer."

MONTHLY REPORTS

Honolulu Fire Department (HFD)/Mānoa Station – Captain Glenn Kuwamura reported the following:

- **July 2016 Statistics** – There were 4 activated alarms (no fires); 25 medical emergencies, 1 motor vehicle crash/collision, and 3 mountain rescues. There were no unusual incidents.
- **Fire Safety Tip – Smoke Alarms:**
 - Smoke alarms should be installed and maintained in every home.
 - Working smoke alarms save lives and decreases the risk of dying in a home fire in half (1/2). Test smoke alarms at least once a month using the test button. If the smoke alarm has a nine (9)-volt battery, change it annually. The entire smoke alarm should be replaced every ten years.
 - The Honolulu Fire Department will be conducting its Smoke Alarms For Everyone (SAFE) program from Tuesday, September 13 to Friday, September 16, 2016. If interested in receiving a free smoke alarm installation, call 723-7167 for more information.

Comments followed: Thank You – Mitchell thanked Captain Kuwamura and HFD for responding to her call for service.

At 7:05 p.m. Hayes and Hoe arrived; **12 members present**.

At 7:08 p.m. Koff arrived; **13 members present**.

Honolulu Police Department (HPD)/District 7 – Acting Lieutenant/Sergeant Allen Ishida reported the following:

- July 2016/June 2016 Statistics – There were 8/2 motor vehicle thefts, 10/6 burglaries, 17/18 thefts, and 8/4 unauthorized entries into a motor vehicle (UEMV) (break-ins). The total number of calls for service was 6,314.
- Safety Tips – Home Security Tips:
 - Always lock all exterior doors and windows before leaving the house, even if it is for a short trip.
 - Make the home look occupied by leaving on lights and radios, and make it difficult to break in.
 - Always lock the garage doors and sheds.
 - Do not tempt a thief; store lawn mowers, mopeds/bicycles, surfboards or any valuables out of sight.
 - Trim the shrubbery around one's home to reduce cover for burglars.
 - Install motion-sensitive lighting near doors and dark areas on the property to prevent concealment of intruders.
 - Never leave keys under doormats, flowerpots, mailboxes, or other "secret" hiding places. Burglars know where to look for hidden keys.
 - Never leave notes on the door, such as "gone shopping," and do not post to social media.
 - Mark one's valuables with the driver's license number or other personal identifiers with an engraver.
 - Keep a detailed inventory of valuable possessions.
 - Install a safe for items such as cash, jewelry or firearms.
 - Change locks immediately if keys are lost or stolen.
 - When moving into a new home, have all locks changed.
 - Louvered windows are intended for ventilation, not security. Glue glass louvers or purchase locking clips to prevent the removal of louvers.
 - Consider installing a burglar alarm system. Dogs are good deterrents. Most intruders will avoid a house with a dog.
 - Form a Neighborhood Security Watch (NSW). Be a good neighbor. If one notices anything suspicious in the neighborhood, call 911 immediately.

Comments followed:

1. Speeders – As schools were starting soon, Bilodeau was concerned about speeders on the streets. Acting Lieutenant/Sergeant Ishida noted that there will be increased patrols near schools. Bilodeau expressed support for the HPD.
2. Drivers Running a Stop Sign – A resident reported drivers running a stop sign at a three (3)-way intersection at O'ahu Avenue and Loulu Street. He suggested more enforcement, especially in the mornings. Acting Lieutenant/Sergeant Ishida mentioned that HPD is aware of the intersection and will monitor it.
3. More Speeders – Sharon Omizo reported that between where East Mānoa Road and Mānoa Road converge and the five (5) - way intersection near the Waiola Tea Room, there are speeders, driving at 50 miles per hour (mph) or more in the evening hours. HPD noted the concern.
4. Geographic Location of Crimes – Peter Oleson asked about the geographical location of the statistics. Acting Lieutenant/Sergeant Ishida referred Oleson to the website at: www.hpd.org and will also follow up.

Board of Water Supply (BWS) – Dominic Dias reported the following:

- Main Break Report – There was no water main break report when Dias left the office.
- Board of Water Supply (BWS) Water Master Plan – Also, printed copies of the Water Master Plan (about 130 pages) were not available. Dias left his e-mail address, so that interested people can request a copy. On Wednesday, July 13, 2016 the BWS released a draft of its Water Master Plan and invited public input. The Water Master Plan is a comprehensive evaluation of water supplies, needs, and infrastructure over a 30-year period. It includes population and water use projections; an evaluation of the current system, including causes of water main breaks; and it also considers conservation, watershed management, and climate change.
The Water Master Plan also provides recommendations on what to do so BWS can continue to meet Oahu's water needs. The BWS will use this plan to guide decisions about the best path to continue providing safe, dependable, and affordable water, now and into the future.

A copy of the document is available on the BWS website at www.boardofwatersupply.com. Public input is being accepted now through Monday, September 12, 2016, after which the BWS Board is scheduled to consider adoption of the Plan. Then, the BWS will prepare a 30-year Capital Improvement Program and a financial analysis to evaluate the cost of those projects and options to pay for the work. This will be an open process with ongoing input from stakeholders and customers. A more in-depth presentation can be scheduled for a later meeting at the Board Chair's discretion. For more information, visit www.boardofwatersupply.com to access the full report and other documents, or email – BWSWaterMasterPlan@hbws.org or call 748-5347.

- Impersonation of BWS Employees – The Board of Water Supply (BWS) is once again alerting the public of individuals claiming to be BWS employees in order to gain access to private property in order to commit burglary. Posing as a utility company employee is a tactic used to gain access to private property and even inside homes. The BWS reminds the public that, if approached by someone saying he/she is from the BWS, all personnel involved in official BWS activities will be properly credentialed by wearing official BWS attire with the BWS logo, driving BWS labeled vehicles (with BWS license plates), and carrying an official City and County of Honolulu badge, with the agency identified as the BWS. If someone claiming to be a BWS employee is unable to provide a reasonable combination of these credentials, residents are encouraged to call the Honolulu Police Department at 9-1-1 for assistance. The community may also call the BWS at 748-5041 to file an additional report of suspicious situations and encounters.

Comments followed:

1. "Gray Water" – Andersen asked if the 30-year Plan would consider the use of "gray water." Dias responded that the BWS has "reclaimed water," but no "gray water" program. About 10 million gallons a day of "reclaimed water" is used for golf course and highway median irrigation and other areas, mostly on the Ewa Plain. BWS wants to expand the program and Dias will follow up.
2. Red Hill Fuel Leak – Arkin asked about the Red Hill fuel leak and mediation efforts. Dias responded that BWS is monitoring the area and the U.S. Navy is drilling new monitoring wells. Updates are posted regularly on the BWS website.

O'ahu Invasive Species Committees of Hawaii (OISC) – Erin Bishop reported the following:

- Rapid 'Ōhi'a Death (ROD) – ROD is a disease caused by the fungal pathogen, *Cetratocystis fimbriata*, and has killed hundreds of thousands of 'ōhi'a trees on Hawaii Island and affected 34,000 acres. Last year a quarantine has proven effective in stopping several shipments of infected 'ōhi'a wood and soil intended for shipment to the neighbor islands. A permit is need to transport off Hawai'i Island. This fungal disease has no known treatment. The temporary 'ōhi'a quarantine is still in effect. However, if a permanent rule is not passed, then, 'ōhi'a plant parts, logs, and soil can be moved without inspection from Hawai'i Island. The first public hearing on O'ahu will be on Wednesday, August 31, 2016 from 5:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m., at the Department of Agriculture's Quality Assurance Division at 1851 Auiki Street. Testimony may be submitted in person or written – Via postal mail to: Plant Quarantine Branch, 1849 Auiki Street, Honolulu, HI 96819, or via FAX at (808) 832-0584, or via e-mail at hdoa.pqspec@hawaii.gov. Include the word "testimony" as the subject matter when submitting testimony by e-mail. There will be other statewide public hearings.
- Surveys – OISC is conducting trail surveys and decontamination techniques at trailheads on Maui and O'ahu to educate hikers about the prevention of ROD. More information can be found at – Hawaii.gov/hdoa, oahuisc.org/news-updates, or www.rapidohiadeath.org.

Be Ready Mānoa (BRM) – Helen Nakano reported the following:

- Hawaii Hazards Awareness and Resilience Program (HHARP) – Last month the Department of Emergency Management (DEM) advised not to go to an emergency shelter, unless one is prepared to have a small area and no help. DEM is now recommending sheltering in place, with family or neighbors and giving a mainland contact number. The next class will be given by the American Red Cross on Emergency Sheltering, which needs volunteers to open the shelters, on Wednesday, August 24, 2016 from 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. at the Seventh Day Adventist Church, 2655 Manoa Road.
- Board of Water Supply (BWS) – The BWS donates a 55-gallon barrel to hold the one (1) gallon of water per day, per person suggestion.
- Tropical Storm Darby – During Tropical Storm Darby, BRM volunteers were monitoring the Mānoa Stream, which crested at 13 feet, and they called 911. HPD closed Woodlawn Drive at the bridge.
- Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) Training – The next CERT trainings will be at the Mānoa Innovation Center (MIC) on Sundays, November 6, 13, and 19, 2016. There are 20 positions and six (6) sign-ups so far. Lunch will be provided and there will be a graduation party. Wes Oda added that last year,

17 storms missed hitting Hawai'i head on. These training sessions encourage Mānoa residents to be more educated and more prepared.

For more information, contact BRM at: Website – <http://bereadymanoa.org>, telephone at – 927-0993, or info@bereadymanoa.org.

University of Hawai'i – Mānoa (UHM) – Elmer Kaai was not present and no report was available.

COMMITTEE AND DELEGATE REPORTS

Oahu Metropolitan Planning Organization (OahuMPO) Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC) – Jim Hayes was out of town and missed the monthly meeting. No report was available.

Candidates Forum Permitted Interaction Group (PIG) Report – Chair Pro Tem Kobayashi explained that a two-thirds (2/3) vote of 12 was needed to add this item to the tonight's agenda.

Armstrong moved and Silva seconded to add the Candidates Forum PIG report to tonight's agenda. As there were no objections, the Mānoa Neighborhood Board No. 7 ADOPTED the motion to add the Candidates Forum report to the agenda by UNANIMOUS CONSENT, 13-0-0 (AYE: Andersen, Arkin, Armstrong, Bilodeau, Chun, Gordon, Hayes, Hoe, Kobayashi, Koff, Mitchell, Silva, and Watson; NAY: None; ABSTAIN: None).

PIG Chair Armstrong reported that members of the PIG were Eads, Heavilin, Koff, Mitchell, and Silva. Seven (7) candidates for State and City offices were invited and five (5) showed up last night. There were over 90 attendees and 75 people signed in. The list was given to the Neighborhood Assistant for the record. 99% of the questions from Board members and the public were answered. The questions were screened by Silva, Armstrong, and Eads, who also served as the Moderator. Koff served as the outreach person and kept the time. Silva and Armstrong posted the posters from the Mānoa Market Place throughout the Mānoa Valley to the University of Hawai'i – Mānoa (UHM). Mitchell was responsible for the sign-ins and set up. Questions included topics that come regularly before the Board, like Paradise Park, taxation, and road repair. Candidates included Senator Brian Taniguchi, Senate candidate C. Kauai Amsterdam, House candidate Dale Kobayashi, Representative Isaac Choy, and Councilmember Ann Kobayashi. Joe Kent, a State Senate candidate and City Council candidate Kimberly Case were absent. The cost for renting the Mānoa Elementary School was \$118.00 and \$31.00 was spent for the posters for a total of \$149.62. Armstrong noted that the Board could have saved the \$118.00, if it had used the Noelani Elementary School on the regular monthly meeting day of Wednesday August 3, 2016. The \$83.00 from Fiscal Year (FY) 2016 was not carried over to this fiscal year. In summary, the Candidates Forum was a success and Armstrong recommended that the next Candidates Forum be held at the Neighborhood Board meeting location to save taxpayers' money and to have 'Ōlelo recording. The Neighborhood Commission Office (NCO) Secretary had to write a check to cover the Mānoa Elementary School Cafeteria cost. Later tonight, the Board will have to approve the payment of the \$149.62 costs.

COMMUNITY REPORTS AND INPUT

Filling of Board Vacancy in Subdistrict 4 (Lower Mānoa) – Chair Pro Tem Kobayashi asked for any volunteers to fill the vacancy. Martin Eby was a Board member for six (6) years, before the recent elections for the 2015 – 2017 term. There were 11 candidates, running for six (6) seats and he lost his seat. Eby would like to return to the Board. Muhammad Anwar Quadri, also a former Board member, withdrew his candidacy, deferring to Eby. **Hayes nominated Martin Eby to fill the vacancy in Subdistrict 4 (Lower Mānoa).**

Chair Pro Tem Kobayashi called a short recess, so that the Neighborhood Assistant could verify Eby's residency, which was confirmed. **As there were no other nominations and no objections, the Mānoa Neighborhood Board No. 7 APPOINTED Martin Eby to fill the vacancy in Subdistrict 4 (Lower Mānoa) by UNANIMOUS CONSENT, 13-0-0 (AYE: Andersen, Arkin, Armstrong, Bilodeau, Chun, Gordon, Hayes, Hoe, Kobayashi, Koff, Mitchell, Silva, and Watson; NAY: None; ABSTAIN: None).**

At 7:50 p.m. Chair Pro Tem Kobayashi called a recess.

The Neighborhood Assistant administered the Oath of Office to Martin Eby; **14 members present.**

At 7:55 p.m. Chair Pro Tem Kobayashi called the meeting back to order.

Election of Officers – Chair Pro Tem Kobayashi was elected Chair in May 2016, as former Chair Eric Eads resigned as Chair and the Board changed the term to end on June 30, 2017. However, according to the Neighborhood Plan (NP), the term was/is to June 30, 2016. Tonight, the Board will be electing all officers. Currently, the officers are: Chair – Dale Kobayashi; First Vice Chair – Jim Hayes; Second Vice Chair – Dylan Armstrong, the office of Secretary is open, as Kristen Collat resigned, and Treasurer – Patti Hoe.

Watson and Arkin nominated Dale Kobayashi to be the Chair. There were no other nominations. **As there were no objections, the Mānoa Neighborhood Board No. 7 ELECTED Dale Kobayashi to continue as the Chair by UNANIMOUS CONSENT, 14-0-0 (AYE: Andersen, Arkin, Armstrong, Bilodeau, Chun, Gordon, Eby, Hayes, Hoe, Kobayashi, Koff, Mitchell, Silva, and Watson; NAY: None; ABSTAIN: None).**

Chair Kobayashi mentioned that the First Vice Chair was Jim Hayes. There were no other nominations. **As there were no objections, the Mānoa Neighborhood Board No. 7 ELECTED Jim Hayes to continue as the First Vice Chair by UNANIMOUS CONSENT, 14-0-0 (AYE: Andersen, Arkin, Armstrong, Bilodeau, Chun, Gordon, Eby, Hayes, Hoe, Kobayashi, Koff, Mitchell, Silva, and Watson; NAY: None; ABSTAIN: None).**

Chair Kobayashi mentioned that the Second Vice Chair was Dylan Armstrong. There were no other nominations. **As there were no objections, the Mānoa Neighborhood Board No. 7 ELECTED Dylan Armstrong to continue as the Second Vice Chair by UNANIMOUS CONSENT, 14-0-0 (AYE: Andersen, Arkin, Armstrong, Bilodeau, Chun, Gordon, Eby, Hayes, Hoe, Kobayashi, Koff, Mitchell, Silva, and Watson; NAY: None; ABSTAIN: None).**

Chair Kobayashi mentioned that former Secretary Kristen Collat resigned for personal reasons. **Gordon nominated and Armstrong seconded that Bronson Silva to be the Secretary.** There were no other nominations. **As there were no objections, the Mānoa Neighborhood Board No. 7 ELECTED Bronson Silva to be the Secretary by UNANIMOUS CONSENT, 14-0-0 (AYE: Andersen, Arkin, Armstrong, Bilodeau, Chun, Gordon, Eby, Hayes, Hoe, Kobayashi, Koff, Mitchell, Silva, and Watson; NAY: None; ABSTAIN: None).**

Chair Kobayashi mentioned that the Treasurer was Patti Hoe. There were no other nominations. **As there were no objections, the Mānoa Neighborhood Board No. 7 ELECTED Patti Hoe to continue as the Treasurer by UNANIMOUS CONSENT, 14-0-0 (AYE: Andersen, Arkin, Armstrong, Bilodeau, Chun, Gordon, Eby, Hayes, Hoe, Kobayashi, Koff, Mitchell, Silva, and Watson; NAY: None; ABSTAIN: None).**

Recesses (From September 2016 to June 2017) – Chair Kobayashi explained that the Mānoa Neighborhood Board No. 7 has contracted for 10 meetings per Fiscal Year (FY) to be videotaped for 'Ōlelo. The Board meets on the first Wednesday of the month, which is close to the July 4th (Independence Day) holiday and New Year's Day each year. Discussion followed. Armstrong added that for July 2015, the Board did not recess, as it was the initial convening meeting for the new term. Chair Kobayashi suggested that the Board recess for January 2017. **As there were no objections, the Mānoa Neighborhood Board No. 7 APPROVED to recess in January 2017 by UNANIMOUS CONSENT, 14-0-0 (AYE: Andersen, Arkin, Armstrong, Bilodeau, Chun, Gordon, Eby, Hayes, Hoe, Kobayashi, Koff, Mitchell, Silva, and Watson; NAY: None; ABSTAIN: None).** A resident asked about July 2017. Chair Kobayashi added that the current term ends on June 30, 2017 and the newly-elected Board will decide.

Confirmation of Date/Time/Location of Meeting – **As there were no objections, the Mānoa Neighborhood Board No. 7 CONFIRMED that the regular monthly meetings will meet on the first Wednesday of the month at the Noelani Elementary School at 7:00 p.m., by UNANIMOUS CONSENT, 14-0-0 (AYE: Andersen, Arkin, Armstrong, Bilodeau, Chun, Gordon, Eby, Hayes, Hoe, Kobayashi, Koff, Mitchell, Silva, and Watson; NAY: None; ABSTAIN: None).**

Residents' and Others' Input for Matters Not on the Agenda

University of Hawai'i – Mānoa (UHM) – Quadri has three (3) children – two (2) at the UHM and one (1) at the University of Hawai'i (UH) Laboratory School and works for the UH Lab School. Quadri heard a proposal that the UHM will move the College of Education and the Lab School to the UH West O'ahu campus, which would be a hardship for parents. He came tonight to ask the UH representative to verify the proposal. As Elmer Kaai was not present tonight, Chair Kobayashi will place this item on the next agenda for Kaai to answer.

Hawaiian Electric Company (HECO) – Kendys Min, Community Relations Specialist, reported that on East Mānoa Road, near the Mānoa Stream (Ditch) Bridge and substation, HECO has two (2) projects. A utility pole was to be replaced and the contractor laid the foundation. Tropical Storm Darby hit and the foundation had to be re-done. By

Friday, August 12, 2016 the foundation should be finished and by Tuesday, September 27, 2016, the steel pole will be placed. A big crane will be used. Neighbors along East Mānoa Road will be notified. There will be detours, but not for TheBus. Min requested to be placed on the next agenda to remind everyone again. Arkin asked about road signs and Min assured everyone that the various signs will be posted.

Another project is the upgrade of the equipment at the substation. Last week Thursday, July 28, 2016, there was a lot of activity to install a temporary pole. On Monday, August 22, 2016 HECO will remove the temporary pole. There will be traffic disruption, but no road closures.

Comments followed:

1. Steel Plate – Watson noted that the steel plate on East Mānoa Road is raised at the bridge. It is in the lane coming out of the valley. Min will follow up.
2. Power – Andersen asked the amount of increased power. Min responded that the projects were for pole replacement and there will be no increase in power. Other utilities are not involved. Sometimes, utilities share poles and must switch to new poles.
3. UH Substation – Silva asked for the timetable for completion of the UH substation. Min will follow up. Silva noted the helicopters on the ridge. Min responded that HECO was replacing lines/poles on the ridge.
4. Photo-voltaic (PV) Installation – Arkin asked about solar installation on the grid and storage batteries. Min did not come tonight to talk about these areas, but HECO just installed equipment to "flatten down" the spikes in a one (1)-year pilot project. Min was aware that storage batteries are a concern for customers. Arkin will follow up with Min to get answers for his specific questions.
5. Notification – The public will be notified of planned power outages. There are none planned for these two (2) projects. Min will return next month.

Blue Zones – Mānoa resident Wesley Oda, is encouraging other Mānoa residents and Board members to get involved in the Blue Zones project to make "the healthy choice the easy choice." Dan Buettner, a National Geographic fellow, studied communities around the world where people lived to 100 years old and wants to adapt those findings into the community. While Americans spend the most money on healthcare, yet they are not the healthiest nation in the world. Hawaii Medical Services Association (HMSA) with Healthways are trying to gain community support of the Blue Zones project and will provide resources (people as well as administrative support and funding) to help community members in various sectors (government, schools, businesses, restaurants, grocery stores, and faith based organizations) make healthy choices. A Leadership Pledge would show community support. Oda had information about Blue Zones and offered examples of making healthy choices, for example, student gardens, or removing soda machines from campus. Oda and his group of volunteers will be submitting an application to make Mānoa/Makiki/Ala Moana a Blue Zone community.

Comments followed:

1. Mānoa Neighborhood Board No. 7 – Armstrong supported the Blue Zones project, as five (5) of his relatives lived 90+ years, but his parents passed before he graduated from college. Armstrong asked what the Neighborhood Board could do. Oda suggested that the Neighborhood Board members could sign a Leadership Pledge and as individuals, representing a sector. Oda added that HECO will join HMSA as a Blue Zones employer that could have "standing meetings," instead of "sit down" meetings.
2. Who is "We" – Andersen supports the idea and asked who "we" were. Oda replied that "we" were a group of volunteers from Mānoa, Makiki, and Ala Moana (specifically, zip codes 96822, 96826, and 96814) trying to gain support from the various sectors to apply to be selected a Blue Zone community. If selected as a Blue Zones project, HMSA and Healthways will finance activities that the community thinks are doable.
3. Healthways – Koff asked who Healthways was. Oda responded HMSA has partnered with Healthways, a vendor/partner that is considered a leader in total population health, a group with expertise to put everything together. Oda thanked the Board for its show of interest.

Input Received by Board Members from Community Members – There was none.

Honolulu City Councilmember Ann Kobayashi – Steve Uyeno distributed the newsletter and Councilmember Kobayashi reported the following:

- Thank You – Councilmember Kobayashi thanked and congratulated the new Board member and officers. Councilmember Kobayashi also thanked the Board for the very successful Candidates Forum last night. It was an opportunity to share concerns called in to her office and bring the community together.
- Council Meeting – Today's City Council meeting was not to regulate Uber, but to focus on drivers providing a safe passenger experience. Wastewater bonds were approved to be sold.

- Letter to Department of Emergency Management (DEM) – Councilmember Kobayashi noted the letter to Department of Emergency Management (DEM) Director Melvin Kaku asking that a part of Mānoa District Park (MDP) be shared with Helen Nakano's Be Ready Mānoa (BRM) group in an emergency.

Comments followed:

1. Boylesque Show – Watson asked about a male burlesque show on Wednesdays at Tree Tops Restaurant. Councilmember Kobayashi responded that residents called the office about an ad in the newspaper for an evening Boylesque show. Hayes asked for more information, but Councilmember Kobayashi had not seen the show.
2. Public Transportation Services – Hayes asked about the new rules. Councilmember Kobayashi clarified that the new rules were not regulating businesses, but for certifying all drivers and vehicles to follow all Federal and State laws, like criminal background check, Hawai'i Driver's License, and liability insurance. The companies are responsible to certify their drivers. Uncertified drivers will be fined.
3. Dog Park in Mānoa – Omizo mentioned that a resident asked her if dogs could run "off the leash?" Councilmember Kobayashi responded that there is a drainage ditch that some people use as a Dog Park, but to get there, they must cross a field. Nationally, park directors do not allow Dog Parks at public parks. Councilmember Kobayashi responded that as little children may be afraid of dogs and dogs leave a mess, there is no Dog Park in Mānoa.
4. Boylesque Show (continued) – Derwin Hayashi, attorney for Paradise Park, announced that due to community feedback, the Paradise Park has given the show a two (2) weeks' notice that the Wednesday show is cancelled. Hayashi invited the Neighborhood Board members to watch the show at no cost. Chair Kobayashi suggested that Board members pay for admission. Silva noted that there is no motion or objections before the Board and an agenda item could be placed on a future agenda. Gordon noted that the ad said that the show was/is more of a jazz/dance class. Watson wanted more clarification. Hayashi added that his client had heard some community concerns and decided to err on the side of caution and cancelled the show. If the Board, as the representative of the community, has no objections, then the show could continue. Councilmember Kobayashi added that she had not planned to bring this topic up in her report, as it is not City business, and asked if Paradise Park was closed, would the restaurant still be an auxiliary use to Paradise Park. Hayashi advised to take it up with Department of Land and Natural Resources (DLNR). Councilmember Kobayashi will bring it up again. Chair Kobayashi noted that Gordon had no objections to the concept. Armstrong added that the Board has not taken any position and need not "go down this road." Andersen corrected that Representative Kobayashi is Councilmember Kobayashi.
5. More Buses – Asami Kobayashi is a student at University of Hawai'i – Mānoa (UH) and requested more #4 buses in the mornings, as the buses are full. Councilmember Kobayashi wanted more #5 buses, too, and will work with Mayor's Representative Barbara Yamashita on the request.
6. Boylesque Show (continued) – Pat Ching was concerned that the ad mentioned that after the dinner, drinks would be served. Ching was concerned about drunk drivers and requested that residents be invited to see the show, too.

Mayor's Representative – Barbara Yamashita introduced Director Robert Kroning of the Department of Design and Construction (DDC), who reported the following:

- Wilder Avenue – Wilder Avenue should be repaved by the end of the 2016, depending on the weather.
- University Avenue – University Avenue is part of the Complete Streets review from King Street to O'ahu Avenue, which is in the conceptual design review process. There will be public hearings.
- Mānoa Valley – There are two (2) projects – the repaving of East Mānoa and Mānoa Roads. Also, there are Board of Water Supply (BWS) projects and the City will wait for those projects to be completed. The City will work on projects in the Upper Valley first, then work outwards, starting in the Summer of 2017 and in the Lower Valley by Spring of 2018. Other projects on Dole Street, from Punahou Street to Metcalf Street will start in the next several months.

At 9:00 p.m. Gordon departed; **13 members present.**

Mayor's Representative (continued) – Barbara Yamashita reported the following:

- Thomas Square Improvements – There was a suggestion for a time capsule and a suggestion for planting with native plants. Department of Parks and Recreation (DPR) thanked the Board for the suggestions. A time capsule was buried in the park, possibly during a previous construction project in 1967. If DPR is able to locate that time capsule, DPR may consider adding items to it, if appropriate.
- Neighborhood Commission Office (NCO)'s Move to Kapālama Hale – The move by several City offices to Kapālama Hale will save money on paying rent.

- Bus Route #4 – Mayor's Representative Yamashita already noted the concern.

Comments followed:

1. Time Capsule – Andersen suggested contacting the Masonic Order, as they were involved with placing the time capsules at 'Iolani Palace and Kapi'olani Park. Mayor's Representative Yamashita will follow up.
2. Paving Standards – Andersen asked for the standards for paving roads and curb heights. Director Kroning mentioned there are national standards for curb height and paving mix, which have changed in standards over the years for different roads. For example, a neighborhood road has different standards from a well-travelled road.
3. Ownership of the Roads – Hoe was concerned about the ownership of Mānoa Road and who should maintain it. Director Kroning noted that a website for the ownership of all of the roads does not exist. One must name a specific road.
4. Thomas Square – Watson wanted Thomas Square to be a simple park and not with all the stage and concession stands and homeless people. Director Kroning said that public input for Thomas Square will be solicited. Only the installation of the irrigation system was approved.
5. Mānoa Road – Watson added that Director Kroning had sent her an e-mail on who owns the road up to Paradise Park and requested that he send the e-mail again. Director Kroning will follow up.
6. Woodlawn Drive – Arkin noted that Woodlawn Drive was paved and that the Board of Water Supply (BWS) tore it up again. Director Kroning mentioned that it may have been an emergency installation, but more communication should have been done.
7. Thomas Square – Armstrong recognized the historical significance of Thomas Square and hoped that the City with community support recreates the park for better use.
8. Kapālama Hale – Hoe related her Kapālama Hale experience for a motor vehicle transaction. Hoe was pleased with the customer service, which was good, taking only 15 minutes instead of one-half (1/2) hour.
9. Wilder Avenue – Bob Kern asked that six (6) years ago, the sewer was repaired but not repaved. Director Kroning did not know why, but it should have been done. The repaving is now scheduled to be repaved. Kern acknowledged that Yamashita was the best Mayor's Representative for bringing Director Kroning tonight and asked her to bring Mayor Kirk Caldwell next time.

At 9:15 p.m. Andersen departed; **12 members present.**

At 9:16 p.m. Chun departed; **11 members present.**

10. Tropical Storm Darby – Raleigh Ferdun, a BRM Stream Monitor, mentioned that during Tropical Storm Darby, as the Mānoa Stream rose to 13 feet at the Woodlawn Bridge, another Stream Monitor called 911. HPD closed Woodlawn Drive. Ferdun has been working with Councilmember Kobayashi, suggested dredging under the bridge to prevent flooding Woodlawn Drive and another Mānoa Flood in 2004, and urged the City to get the project done soon. Sharon Omizo added that the United States (U.S.) Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) had a plan two (2) years ago, but nothing happened. Ferdun noted that funding is being sought, but he is not optimistic.

State Representative Isaac Choy – Representative Choy was not present and no report was available.

State Senator Brian Taniguchi – Tom Heinrich distributed the newsletter and reported the following:

- Congratulations – Heinrich congratulated new Board member Martin Eby and the new Board officers.
- Candidates Forum – The Candidates Forum had great turn out. Although two (2) candidates did not show up, more than 90 people attended. Heinrich thanked the Mānoa Neighborhood Board No. 7 for sponsoring the event.
- Special Sessions – The General Election is on Tuesday, November 8, 2016 and there may be two (2) Special Sessions for the review of judges (for the Senate only) and for emergency appropriations for the Maui hospital.

At 9:20 p.m. Watson departed the meeting; **10 members present.**

Chair Kobayashi relinquished the gavel to First Vice Chair Hayes.

At 9:21 p.m. Chair Kobayashi departed the meeting; **nine (9) members present.**

State Senator Brian Taniguchi (continued) – Heinrich continued with:

- Blue Zones Project – Heinrich noted that Councilmember Kobayashi, Representative Choy, and Senator Taniguchi have signed the Leadership Pledges for the application process to become a Blue Zones community.
- Special Focus Group on University of Hawai'i – Mānoa (UHM) – Heinrich suggested that there be a joint meeting with McCully-Mo'ili'ili Neighborhood Board No. 8. The earlier-mentioned suggestion to move the College of Education to the West O'ahu campus was a budgetary proviso from the Legislature, but no one admits to it.
- Focus Group Agenda Item on Mānoa Stream with Department of Land and Natural Resources (DLNR) and USACE – Heinrich suggested an agenda item about Mānoa Stream and Ala Wai Canal Project dredging.

Governor David Ige's Representative – Governor Ige's Capitol Connection August 2016 was distributed and Denise Iseri-Matsubara reported the following:

- Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) Summit – More than 1,000 students, teachers, administrators and community members came to the Governor's education summit last month to share their ideas for transforming Hawai'i's public schools. There will be to a series of town hall meetings, starting on Wednesday, August 10, 2016. For more information, see the newsletter.
- International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN) World Conservation Congress – Imagine hundreds of the world's top leaders from government, business and United Nations agencies, along with environmental experts and indigenous, grassroots groups, converging in Hawai'i to find ways to save the planet.
Now add thousands of students, teachers, scientists, community volunteers and everyday citizens who care about big issues such as climate change, forests, and healthy ecosystems. This momentous gathering is the 2016 IUCN World Congress from Thursday, September 1 to Saturday, September 10, 2016 at the Hawai'i Convention Center. This will be the first time it will be held in the United States.
The good news for the public is that everyday citizens can experience the Congress at various levels and costs. Free exhibit pavilions on the first floor of the convention center will be open Friday, September 2 to Wednesday, September 7 and on Friday, September 9 from 11:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. For youth and kama'aina who want to participate in workshops, "knowledge cafes," and poster sessions, there are discounted registration fees and local kama'aina day passes. For details, go to iucnworldconservationcongress.org.

At 9:25 p.m. Chair Kobayashi returned to the meeting; **10 members present**. First Vice Chair Hayes returned the gavel to Chair Kobayashi.

Governor David Ige's Representative (continued) – Iseri-Matsubara continued:

- Homelessness – A plan focusing on the chronically homeless as well as families with children will be implemented with \$12 million from the 2016 Legislature. The plan will target three (3) areas: affordable housing, health and human services, and public safety. Governor Ige's team wants to build 10,000 units. However, U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) estimates that it would cost \$1 billion to build 8,000 units. A lot of work needs to be done.

Comments followed: Air Conditioning – Armstrong wanted an update on cooling the classrooms and energy efficiency. There were concerns about price gouging by contractors. Iseri-Matsubara noted that the heat abatement program is on the Department of Education (DOE) website. In May 2016, the DOE issued a Request for Proposals (RFP) with a \$40,000/per classroom estimate, but \$100,000 to \$300,000 bids came in with increased electricity costs. The DOE re-issued the RFP and four (4) contracts were issued. The Priority List is posted.

NEW BUSINESS

Input from Board or Community There was none.

Proposed Board Resolution on the University of Hawaii Long Range Plan – Bronson Silva read the following resolution:

"A Resolution to Urge the University of Hawaii at Manoa to Conduct a Long Range Development Plan Update

Whereas the 1987 University of Hawaii at Manoa Long Range Development Plan has served as the guiding document for development on the University of Hawai'i at Manoa campus; and

Whereas the 1994 and 2007 University of Hawai'i at Manoa Long Range Development Plan addressed the changes to academic priorities, development priorities, environmental issues, funding, and other factors influencing development; and

Whereas the 2007 University of Hawai'i at Manoa Long Range Development Plan included community representation and input from the Mānoa Neighborhood Board No. 7 and McCully-Mo'ili'ili Neighborhood Board No. 8; and

Whereas the purpose of the 2007 University of Hawaii at Manoa Long Range Development Plan is to reflect current and upcoming educational priorities, future buildings and projects, the incorporation of "Major Themes" developed through a process of consultation with the University of Hawai'i at Mānoa campus administration and constituent bodies, which includes students, faculty members, administrators, and community representatives; and

Whereas the Revised Ordinances of Honolulu requires the University of Hawai'i at Mānoa to conduct a development plan spanning at least five (5) years; and

Be it Resolved, that the Mānoa Neighborhood Board No. 7:

1. urges the University of Hawai'i at Mānoa to conduct a Long Range Development Plan update.
2. encourages the University of Hawai'i at Mānoa to incorporate the University of Hawaii at Mānoa Landscape Master Plan, Transportation Demand Management Plan, Sidewalk Master Plan, Campus Heritage Report, and Drainage Master Plan into the University of Hawaii at Mānoa Long Range Development Plan update.
3. calls upon the University of Hawaii at Mānoa to provide an update report on the University of Hawai'i at Mānoa Long Range Development Plan at the monthly Mānoa Neighborhood Board No. 7 meetings.
4. requests that the University of Hawai'i at Mānoa Long Range Development Plan committee invite the Mānoa Neighborhood Board No. 7 and McCully-Mo'ili'ili Neighborhood Board No. 8 to participate in the planning process.
5. encourages the University of Hawai'i at Mānoa Long Range Development Plan committee to invite Mānoa community organizations to be included in the planning process.

Be it further Resolved, that copies of this resolution will be transmitted to the University of Hawai'i System President David Lassner, the University of Hawai'i at Mānoa Interim Chancellor Robert Bley-Vroman, Associated Students of the University of Hawai'i at Mānoa President Roxie Kamoshida, the McCully-Mo'ili'ili Neighborhood Board No. 8, Senator Brian Kobayashi, Representative Isaac Choy, and Councilmember Ann Kobayashi."

Discussion followed:

1. Revisions – Silva added that the UH, instead of revising the Development Plans, it has submitted "Revisions" to the Long Range Development Plan.
2. Clarifications – Hayes clarified the revisions were in 1987, 1994, and 2007.

Hayes moved and Koff seconded that the Mānoa Neighborhood Board No. 7 adopt the resolution to urge the University of Hawaii at Manoa to conduct a Long Range Development Plan Update. As there were no objections, the motion was ADOPTED by UNANIMOUS CONSENT, 10-0-0 (AYE: Arkin, Armstrong, Bilodeau, Eby, Hayes, Hoe, Kobayashi, Koff, Mitchell, and Silva; NAY: None; ABSTAIN: None).

BOARD ADMINISTRATION AND PLANNING

Treasurer's Report – Treasurer Patti Hoe reported that for Fiscal Year (FY) 2016, the ending balance was \$83.83. For Fiscal Year (FY) 2017 the Initial Allocation is \$4,321.00, the Annual Facility Contract is \$1,377.00, the Annual Video Contract is \$2,400.00, for the Total Expenditures of \$3,777.00, and the Remaining Balance of \$544.00. For July 2016 \$52.58 was spent for the printing and postage for agenda and minutes, leaving a balance of \$491.42. The Treasurer's report was filed.

Armstrong moved and Hayes seconded that the Mānoa Neighborhood Board No. 7 reimburses the \$149.62 for the Facility Fee of Mānoa Elementary School and printing costs for the posters for the Candidates Forum. As there were no objections, the motion was ADOPTED by UNANIMOUS CONSENT, 10-0-0 (AYE: Arkin, Armstrong, Bilodeau, Eby, Hayes, Hoe, Kobayashi, Koff, Mitchell, and Silva; NAY: None; ABSTAIN: None).

Reports from Board Officers and/or Board Members – There were none.

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND CORRESPONDENCE

- Input from Board and Community – There were none.
- Next Meeting – The next meeting of the Mānoa Neighborhood Board No. 7 is scheduled for Wednesday, September 7, 2016 at the Noelani Elementary School, 2655 Woodlawn Drive at 7:00 p.m.
- ‘Ōlelo Programing – The Mānoa Neighborhood Board No. 7 airs on the third (3rd) Tuesday of the month at 4:00 p.m. on Channel 49 and on the second (2nd) and fourth (4th) Saturdays of the month at 3:00 p.m. on Channel 49

ADJOURNMENT: As there was no further business before the Board, Chair Kobayashi adjourned the meeting at 9:44 p.m.

Submitted by: K. Russell Ho, Neighborhood Assistant

Reviewed by: Sharon Baillie, Neighborhood Assistant

Reviewed by: Bronson Silva, Secretary, and
Dale Kobayashi, Chair